

# Volunteers Will Observe 4th Birthday



ANNIVERSARY PARTY for a dedicated group—Harbor General Hospital Volunteers for Children will hold their annual get-together at the hospital auditorium Wednesday. A Polynesian theme is planned for the event with a staff doctor to be guest

## Founder Tells How Children's Group Developed

"It all began with an article I read on the program provided for children at Bellview Hospital in New York, explains Mrs. John Stoddard, founder of the local 'Volunteers for Children.' Prompted by the story, Mrs. Stoddard set out to form a similar group here.

Now celebrating its fourth anniversary, "Volunteers for Children" has proven what Mrs. Stoddard knew at the start. "Tender loving care" can make all the difference in the world to a child sick in a strange hospital ward.

Composed mainly of housewives who devote their spare time to working with the children at Harbor General, the group is now an accepted part of the hospital's routine.

The group limits its own social affairs to one event a year, the annual birthday party. This year, Wednesday's party will be held in the hospital auditorium at 8 p.m. with a Polynesian theme.

Dr. Shelton Siegel, now devoting his time to a two year research program on allergies, will be the guest speaker. All funds from the group go for equipment and toys for the children. A monthly birthday party is given and each woman devotes as much of her spare time as possible visiting the wards.

From the first article which appeared four years ago in the Torrance Press asking for volunteers, the organization now boasts a full time coordinator as part of the Harbor staff.

"They were naturally dubious at first but willing to let us try," explains Mrs. Stoddard. "Then we were accepted, now we are asked for."

# for and about Women

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PINNING ON THE PIRATE'S HAT was one of little Michael Duffy, 5, of 602 Harbor Hills, the main attractions at Friday's birthday party at Harbor General Hospital's children's ward. Birthday parties are a monthly event sponsored by the Volunteers for Children.

## 'Record Party' Brings Out Clever 'Pop' Costumes

"Mac the Knife" appeared hand in hand with "Jersey Bounce" and "Spring Bonnet" at Wednesday's meeting of the Torrance Junior Womens Club, CFWC.

The "Come as Your Favorite Record" party held at the clubhouse saw musical tastes in costumes ranging from light spring atmosphere of "Easter Bonnet" to the ghoully spectre of "Mummy."

As getting acquainted was the purpose of the party, members were given cards enabling them to take part in an ice-breaking bingo game.

Following the game, each guest was introduced, with the rest of the group guessing the name of the record they were representing.

The cleverest costumes were judged to be worn by Mrs. Douglas Baldwin, costumed as "Jersey Bounce," and Mrs. Lee Allen as "I Surrender, Dear."

Mrs. Clifford Trezise was chairman of the party and was assisted by Mmes. Darrel Zander and Jean Montange; decorations were cleverly arranged by Mmes. Clayton Lilley and Richard Oliver, and the hostess committee, headed by Mrs. Charles Turner and consisting of Mmes. Robert Davis, Lee Clotworthy, Robert Valencia, John Prescott, Charles Crandall and Charles Bennett, served a delicious dessert. Present from the Senior Women's Club were Mrs. John Thuss, president, and Mrs. A. F. R. Ewalt, coordinator.

## B'nai B'rith Women to Meet Tuesday

The next regular meeting of South Bay Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women will be held on Tuesday evening at 8:15 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Milton Goldsmith, 16917 Purche Ave.

Plans are being made to form a B'nai B'rith Girls Club for teen-age girls and also a Junior Girl's group. Chapter membership is now open. For information contact Mrs. Roselyn Snitzer, 2720 W.

## Church Radio Program

The Christian Science Church again will present its weekly program, "How Christian Science Heals," Oct. 4 at 1 p.m. over KABC-TV, Channel 7, Los Angeles. This is a filmed presentation with the filming being done in Hollywood.

The series is not designed to carry denominational promotion or doctrine, but to show the healing, redeeming and transforming power of prayer as accomplished in Christian Science.

The moderators are chosen from a wide field and are more in number than formerly.

## Workshop Study Series Announced

A study of origin, early methods and symbols will be presented at the sermons beginning next Sunday at 7 p.m. at the Del Amo Southern Baptist Church, 412 Camino Real.

Pastor Daniel B. Weaver Jr. will conduct the services, which will include a study of the relationships between Old Testament and New Testament worship.

## Sorority Council Plans Pink Carnation Ball

Pink Carnation Ball plans rated top consideration at the recent meeting of the Mira Costa Regional Council of Epsilon Sigma Alpha held at Raffles Restaurant in Los Angeles.

Proceeds for the coming dance will go to the sororities State unified philanthropic project the Angel View Crippled Children's foundation at Desert Hot Springs. Tickets for the society event will be \$3 per couple and may be reserved by calling Mrs. Joseph Premeaux at FR. 48871.

Special guests at the meeting which featured a dinner-hour fashion show were Mrs. John Kolstad, Bakersfield, California State president; Mrs. Joseph Premeaux, first vice president and Mrs. Bill Earl, corresponding secretary.

Decorations were keyed in a western motif with Eta Nu chapter acting as hostess. The workshop educational conducted by Mrs. Mary Lee Vogt, Long Beach, Jr. past president was followed by a round table discussion. Torrance Eta Mu chapter will act as hostess for the November meeting.

## FESTIVE PARTY

Enjoying a festive party at The Polynesian Restaurant in Torrance recently were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond M. Hamada of Torrance and their guests, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Exley of Covina, who formed a foursome for an island dinner and tropical cocktails.

## Little Company of Mary to Hold Bridge Party

## Social Event to Raise Funds for Nursery

Members of the Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary will hold a bridge-luncheon Oct. 21 to benefit the nursery of the new hospital.

The William DeWar home in Palos Verdes will serve as the setting for the affair. Following the hospital theme, tables will be arranged in "wards" inside the home and around the pool, and hostesses will model their new auxiliary uniforms in a preview showing.

In charge of the event are auxiliary members Mmes. Frank McAllister, J. William Cox, Edmond Kirsnis, William DeWar and A. J. Daley, who is also membership chairman of the group.

Mrs. Kirsnis is in charge of reservations and may be reached at FR 8-1983 or through another member of the committee. A fine selection of prizes and the appearance of a mascot doll dressed in a replica of the auxiliary uniform will add to the afternoon's entertainment.

Use classified—FA 8-2345.

## This Month's Ward Party Was a Gay Pirate Affair

Do the children in Harbor General Hospital look forward to their monthly birthday parties?

"Not if we can help it," says Mrs. Mitchell E. Sims, who was in charge of Friday's Pirate Party. "We like to make it a big surprise," she explains.

Problems occur when the children become too excited or when a small patient refuses to go home for fear of missing the event. "One child even painted her face white in an attempt to look sick enough to stay," laughs Mrs. Sims.

The word usually does leak out, however, and when the party arrives most of the kids have been on the look out.

This month, in accordance with party plans, five small patients at the hospital received very nice gifts in honor of their birthdays and all of the other children smaller token presents.

As most of the children are unable to be up and around, Friday's "Pin the Hat on the Pirate" game was a bed-to-bed affair.

Cupcakes decorated with skull and crossbones and a pirate's treasure chest were other features of the "Pirate" day.

Mrs. Sims, who spent Thursday decorating the 48 cupcakes for the event, has been a member of the Volunteers for three years. "I set aside every Wednesday for the children," she says, but adds that others with less free time are also needed. Mrs. Sims became a member of the organization when her own son was involved in a severe accident three years ago. "I didn't know if he would live or die," she says. Seeing the work of the Volunteers during her visits to her son, Mrs. Sims vowed when he was well again she would join the group. "It has been a wonderful experience," she says. "I've made many friends. Anyone that devotes her time to these children is pretty special."

## Moose Slate Dinner, Chuck Wagon Dance

Big doings are slated for Moose Hall the evening of Oct. 10.

That's the date of the Chuck Wagon Dance sponsored by the Hospital and Moosehaven committees.

Donation tickets to the gala affair will run \$1 per person. Johnny and Jonie Presents will furnish the music for dancing with entertainment provided by Diane Maxwell, Wynn Stewart and Jan Howard.

Louise Lovelady and Maggy Liche head the committees in charge of the event.

Sunday will see another special evening at Torrance Moosehall. A dime-a-dip dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., announces Marg Boudin, chairman of the friendship committee. Entertainment is planned.

A Traveling Basket project has been arranged by the homemaking committee of the lodge and a business meeting of the Escort is slated for Oct. 2. A meeting of chairmen will take place at the home of Elsie Smith, Sr. regent, Sept. 28.



"POP" PLATTER FAVORITES were dressed up when members of the Junior Woman's Club held their "Favorite Record Party" Wednesday evening at the clubhouse. Posing as they ap-

peared at the party are (left) Mmes. John Curtin, "Song of the Islands"; Joe Mongini, "School Days," and Clayton Lilley, "Night and Day."



PRACTICE SESSION—Members of the Little Company of Mary Hospital Auxiliary prepare for their Oct. 21 bridge-luncheon with Mmes. J. William Cox, Frank E. McAllister, Anthony J. Daley and a hand of cards. From left, wearing the new volunteer uniforms, William R. Dewar.